

Poets' Pride



*In celebration of the 5th grade end of the year projects
we present these Poems*

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The Amistad

Strugglers
Over the seas
Suddenly
Clash! Fighting
For dear life
New orders
To turn around
To Africa
By day.
North by
The crack of night.
Spaniard
Voyage to New London
Arrived
Custom House
To court we
Will all go
Again and again
Loss to loss
To jail
For both of us.

Joseph 5th grade

Their Voice

No!
They cried
In their native language
As they were taken away from
their homes

But they were carried by ship to
Cuba

Steer us home
They commanded
Through gestures and unknown
words
As they revolted and overthrew

But the crew zigzagged up the
American coast

Let us free
They pleaded in
With their newfound English
As there case was tried in court

And in the end they were set free

Ellanora 5th grade

A Proud Tall Ship

A proud tall ship
Sailing swiftly
Cutting through the waves
A magnificent splendor
Disguising the cruelty inside

The dank dark hold
Filled with people
Captured people
People with no knowledge
Of what was to come

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